

GUIDE TO

GIVING & GETTING INVOLVED



THE BRIGHT SCHOOL



The Bright School

Philanthropy Statement

At Bright School, philanthropy is not an addition—it is a vital part of what makes this treasured community exceptional.

Through the support of parents, alumni, and friends, **philanthropy allows us to go beyond what tuition alone can sustain.**

The Bright Fund reflects both the excellence of a student's experience and the promise of what comes next.

It is a shared commitment from our community to go **beyond tuition**, supporting the teachers, academics, and enrichment that shape confident, curious, and compassionate students.

Fostering a Culture of Generosity

Giving back to the community is at the heart of being wise and compassionate citizens of the world.

We are committed to weaving philanthropy and generosity into the fabric of a Bright School education, helping students understand the lifelong value of giving back and the important role they play in strengthening the communities around them.

Why Your Support MATTERS



Think of tuition and philanthropy like your home.

Tuition provides the foundation—the classrooms, teachers, curriculum, and core educational experience that give every Bright student a place to learn and grow. But a home is more than its foundation and walls.

Philanthropy helps our school expand what is possible beyond the classroom, strengthening opportunities for students to **explore, create, serve, lead, travel, compete, discover, and grow in new ways.**



**The
Bright
Fund**



tuition

**operating
budget**

Every gift makes a **DIFFERENCE**

Tuition and philanthropy together create an education that is both grounded and expansive. Tuition provides the foundation, while philanthropy helps open the doors to experiences that enrich the education of our entire student community.

Every gift, at every level, helps strengthen The Bright School experience and ensures that our students have opportunities to learn, grow, and thrive—both inside the classroom and beyond it.



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TUITION funds
MISSION

GENEROSITY
fuels **VISION**

Diverse Fundraising Opportunities

Area of Greatest Need: Flexible support that allows The Bright School to direct funds where they are needed most and have the greatest impact.

Excellence in Teaching: Supports professional development, resources, and initiatives that help our teachers grow and provide an exceptional educational experience.

Financial Aid: Provides tuition assistance to help make a Bright School education accessible to more families.

Athletics: Supports athletic programs, equipment, and opportunities that encourage teamwork, character, and healthy development.





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Ways to Give

ANNUAL GIVING TO THE BRIGHT SCHOOL

The Bright Fund provides support that enhances every student's experience by strengthening academics, supporting exceptional faculty, enriching programs, and advancing our mission. Every gift makes an immediate impact where it is needed most.

Annual Giving Recognition

Friends of Bright | \$100–\$999

Green & White Society | \$1,000–\$1,912

1913 Society | \$1,913–\$2,499

Head of School Giving Circle | \$2,500–\$9,999

Mary Bright Founder's Guild | \$10,000+

Annual gifts are recognized through our Giving Societies, celebrating the many ways our community comes together to support our school. Each year, we gather with donors who give \$1,000 or more to express our gratitude for their generosity and commitment to the school.

ENDOWMENT

A gift that is invested to provide ongoing financial support for The Bright School, helping ensure resources are available for students and families for generations to come.

DESIGNATED GIFTS

A gift that allows you to direct your support toward a specific area that is most meaningful to you, such as academics, arts, athletics, or a particular program or initiative.

PLANNED GIVING

A way to make an impactful future gift to The Bright School through your will, estate plan, retirement account, life insurance, or other financial planning.

SPONSORSHIPS

Does your company prioritize philanthropy and community involvement? Each school year, we invite local businesses, organizations, and corporations to support the school through a sponsorship.

Ways to Get Involved



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Bright School Parents' Association (PA) builds community, supports communication, and helps advance the school through parent involvement initiatives. It offers families many opportunities to engage in their child's education and contribute to the broader school community.

BRIGHT NIGHTS

Bright Nights is our annual, adults-only event celebrating the start of the school year and welcoming new and returning parents to The Bright School community. It's a fun way to kick off the year and connect with fellow Bright families, faculty, and staff.

PAJAMA PARTY AUCTION

Pajama Party Auction is our yearly online auction featuring unique experiences, class projects, trips, local business donations, and more. Families can bid from home in their pajamas, with the fun culminating in a Pajama Day at school.

We invite you to get involved!



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